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FM AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

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INFO AMCONSUL ASMARA

AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM

AMEMBASSY MOGADISCIO

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SUBJ: PMAC VICE CHAIRMEN REMAIN OUT OF SIGHT

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1. THERE HAS BEEN NO PRESS COVERAGE OF TWO PMAC VICE CHAIRMEN MAJOR MENGISTU AND LT. COL. ATNAFU SINCE OCTOBER 26 (REFTEL). PRIOR TO OCTOBER 26, THERE WAS APPROXIMATELY A TEN DAY PERIOD WHERE NEITHER INDIVIDUAL RECEIVED ANY COVERAGE. THIS IS IN MARKED CONTRAST TO PREVIOUS PRACTICE OF GIVING ALMOST DAILY PUBLICITY TO ONE OR OTHER OF THE VICE CHAIRMEN.

2. IN PART, AS RESULT FOREGOING, IT IS WIDELY BELIEVED AMONG DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY AND POPULACE AT LARGE THAT MENGISTU AND ATNAFU ARE UNDER SOME CONSTRAINT -- AT MINIMUM HAVE HAD THEIR POWERS AND FREEDOM OF ACTION CURTAILED. ADDIS, HOWEVER, REMAINS CALM AND THERE IS A DISTINCT ABATEMENT OF RUMORS CONCERNING DIRG HAPPENINGS.

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